

REMARKS

The examiner is thanked for the Office Action of May 23, 2003. The examiner's assistance has been instrumental in advancing the prosecution of the application. This amendment and request for reconsideration is intended to be fully responsive to the above action.

In the above Office Action, examiner acknowledged the election of invention Group 1 associated with the species of Figures 1-15 including claims 1-33, and 37-59. The examiner further indicated that, in addition to claims 34-36, claims 43-44, 49-51, 55 and 57-58 are not readable on the elected species and should be withdrawn. The Declaration was objected to because the submitted Declaration did not include a date associated with the first inventor's signature. The Office Action included objections to the specification for the omission of reference numbers in the drawings, and incorrectly attributed reference numbers in the specification. Claims 1-13 and 27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,189,850 to Liao et al. Claims 1-6, 10-13, 27, 37-39, 41-42, 45, 52-54 and 56 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 (b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,687,939 to Moscovitch. Claims 1-2, 4-6, 12, 14-16, 18, 24-31, 37-39, 41-42, 45-48, 52-54, 56 and 59 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 (b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,018,847 to Lu. Claims 41-42, 45-48, 52 and 59 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 (b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,668,570 to Ditzik. Claims 28, 31-33 and 37-39 are rejected as being anticipated by U.S. Patent

5,251,102 to Kimble. Claims 17 and 19-23 were objected to as being based on rejected independent claim 1. Claim 40 was determined to be allowable.

With regard to the Declaration, a signed and dated supplemental Declaration is included with this amendment. With regard to the objections to the specification, the reference numbers that were omitted in the drawings have been deleted from the specification. The other identified errors in the specification have also been corrected. It is submitted that the specification is now consistent with the drawings. With regard to claim 24, the lack of antecedent basis for the term “the angle” has been corrected.

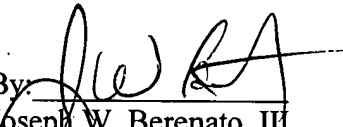
With regard to the 35 U.S.C. 102(b) rejections of claims 1-16, 18, 24-33, 37-39, 41, 42, 45-48, 52-54, 56, and 59, independent claims 1, 28, 31, 37, 40, 41, 45, and 52 have been amended to indicate that the boss is slidably removable through an open-ended channel in the stand. Specifically, the stand has a channel with an open end and a closed end, so that the boss (with attached housing and display) is slidably removable from the channel open end. None of the references has a configuration whereby a boss is slidably removable through a channel open end. Liao in Figure 2 includes a channel 230 having a boss 115, 22, slidably disposed within the channel 230. However, the channel 230 does not have an open end whereby the boss may be slidably removed. The ability to readily remove the display from the associated stand is an object of the proposed invention.

With this amendment, it is submitted that the independent claims 1, 28, 31, 37, 40, 41, 45, and 52 define over the prior art.

With regard to the previously withdrawn claims, dependent claims 34-36 depend from generic claim 31, dependent claims 43-44 depend from generic claim 41, dependent claims 49-51 depend from generic claim 45, dependent claims 55 and 57-58 depend from generic claim 51. If generic claims 31, 41, 45, and 51 are allowable, it is submitted that dependent claims 34-36, 43-44, 49-51, 55 and 57-58 are also allowable.

It is respectfully submitted that this amendment places the application in condition for allowance. Should the examiner believe that additional discussion is required, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fees to deposit account no. 50-0548.

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